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This is in response to the outstanding Final Office Action dated November 6, 2002, paper number 10, for which a response is due by February 6, 2003, in the above-identified patent application. A petition for 3-month extension of time is enclosed herewith to make this response timely. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following remarks and declaration of Gregory M. Shutske. Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of all outstanding rejections in light of the aforesaid remarks and declaration. A Notice of Appeal (with appropriate fee) is respectfully submitted concurrently herewith in the event the Examiner remains unpersuaded by this response.